TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 1824 - SB 2249

February 21, 2018

SUMMARY OF BILL: Changes references in vocational rehabilitation statutes to reflect current terminology for the Division of Rehabilitation Services and the Director of the Vocation Rehabilitation Program. Authorizes the Division of Rehabilitation Services, with the approval of the Commissioner of the Department of Human Services (DHS), to contract with any public or private entity to provide services to vocational rehabilitation program clients as long as the contracting is in accordance with all federal vocational rehabilitation program requirements. Removes requirement that each rehabilitation center offer specified services.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Passage of this legislation would remove obsolete and non-operative language regarding the organization and administration of rehabilitation centers.
- Based on information provided by the DHS, passage of this legislation will have no effect on the operations, policies or procedures of the DHS.
- The DHS is currently authorized to contract with any public or private entity to provide services to rehabilitation center clients. The proposed legislation requires such contracts to be in accordance with all federal vocational rehabilitation program requirements. Such requirement is not estimated to impact the terms of any current or future contracts.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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